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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed on June 3, 2004, for which a response is due on or before September 3, 2004. Accordingly, this response is timely filed

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing, please find the following documents:

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x Return receipt postcard.

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The fee is calculated as follows:


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Total Claims	6	- 37	0	x \$18.00	\$0
Independent Claims	1	- 9	0	x \$86.00	\$0
Multiple dependent claims not previously presented, add \$290.00					\$0
Total Amendment Fee					\$0
Petition for Extension of Time Fee					\$0
Small Entity Reduction (if applicable)					\$0
TOTAL FEE DUE					\$0

x No fee is due.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16, 1.17, and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 18-1648.

Respectfully submitted,

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